* Oil Marketing Companies have also introduced new tamper proof tank-truck locking systems to prevent *en route* adulteration by transporters.

* Trials for introduction of Marker System.

* Keeping in view the misuse/diversion for adulteration, the import, of SKO by private-parties has been canalized through Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies.

* IT solutions like monitoring movement of tank truck through Global Positioning System (GPS) and monitoring level of fuel tanks in Retail Outlets through retail automation.

* Measures to check adulteration are kept under continuous review of the Government

Development of tourist spots in Andhra Pradesh.

123. SHRIGIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what concrete and innovative steps are being taken for the past three years to develop the tourist spots in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether Government have planned to undertake any study to find out the ways and means to increase foreign exchange earnings through foreign tourists in India;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) If not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATIRENUKACHOWDHURY): (a) Development and promotion of tourism is a continuous process. However, Ministry of Tourism provides funds on the basis of project proposals received from the State Governments/UT Administrations and on the basis of field visits and consultation with them. The following schemes are provided in the 10th Five Year Plan:

(1) Product Infrastructure and Destination Development

(2) Integrated development of Tourism Circuits

(3) Assistance for Large Revenue Generating Projects

During the last three years (2001-02,2002-03 and 2003-04) 14 project worth Rs. 1621.85 lakh have sanctioned for development of tourism in Andhra Pradesh.

(b) and (c) Several studies have been conducted by the Market Research Division of this Ministry on the basis of which, the Ministry of Tourism is promoting the places of tourist interests all over India including Andhra Pradesh through its 13 Indiatourism offices located abroad and through the 'Incredible India' campaign. The tourist arrival figures and foreign exchange details during the last three years have been as under:

Sr. No.		2002	2003	2004
1.	Foreign tourist arrivals	238464	2726214	3367980
2.	Foreign exchange earnings (Rs. in crores)	14195.00	16429.00	21828.25

(d) Does not arise.

Setting up of a Tourism Board

†124. SHRI PK. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are formulating any plan to set up a Tourism Board;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the plans Government are having for the infrastructural development of tourism; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKACHOWDHURY):

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise,

† Original notice of the question was received In Hindi.